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TITLE OF INVENTION: BALL GAME APPARATUS				

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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In the Notice of Allowability mailed July 11, 2006, the Examiner provided his statement of reasons for allowance. Applicant wishes to point out that the Examiner's reasons are not the sole reasons for allowance of the claims and there may be additional reasons for allowance. For example, each of the dependent claims recites subject matter that distinguishes the invention from the prior art. The prior art should provide the sole limitation on the allowability of the claims.

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